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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

June 24, HANGCHOW, British steamer, 999, Robinson, Whampoa 24th June, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

June 24, SAGHALIEN, French steamer, 4,036, Homery, Marseilles 23rd May, Port Said 2 th, Suez 30th, Aden 3rd June, Colombo 11th, Singapore 16th, and Saigon 21st, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

June 24, CELTIC MONARCH, British str., 1,308, J. Hilditch, New York 27th April, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

June 24, WINGSANG, British steamer, 1500, St. Croix, Calcutta 8th June, via Penang and Singapore 18th, Opium and General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

June 24, AMOY, British steamer, 815, Kohler, Whampoa 24th June, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

June 24, MEDUSA, Austro-Hungarian steamer, 1,797, E. Parini, Trieste, and Singapore 13th June, General.—AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S S. N. Co.

June 24, IDUNA, German str., 297, N. Finke Tamsui, Amoy, and Swatow 23rd June, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

June 24, MELITA, German steamer, 339, Morck Haiphong 21st June, General.—A. R. MARTY.

June 24, INAYMAS, German bark, 306, M. Krag, Freemantle 22nd May, Sandalwood.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

June 24, PAUL, German bark, 744, F. Honerloh, Bangkok 12th June, Rice and Timber.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, 24TH JUNE.

Allie Rowe, Hawaiian brig, for Honolulu.
Iolani, British str., for Swatow.
Namoa, British str., for Swatow.
Mark Lane, British str., for Yokohama.
Haugchow, British str., for Swatow.
Glenlyon, British str., for Shanghai.
Fero, German str., for Newchwang.

DEPARTURES.

June 24, NAMOA, British str., for Coast Ports.
June 24, DJEMNAH, French str., for Europe.
June 24, ACTIV, Danish str., for Haiphong.
June 24, MARK LANE, British str., for Yokohama.
June 24, F. P. LITCHFIELD, Amr. bark, for Honolulu.
June 24, IOLANI, British str., for Swatow.
June 24, HANGCHOW, British str., for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Wingsang*, str., from Calcutta, &c.—Messrs. Meyers and Rich, and 380 Chinese.

Per *Saghalien*, str., from Marseilles, &c.—For Hongkong.—Mr. and Mrs. von Bosé, Messrs. W. Humbert, Vignolle, and Deboissay, from Marseilles. From Colombo.—Mr. Planish. From Singapore.—Mrs. Alpen, Mr. Ty Too Lee and servant. From Saigon.—Mr. Marty, Rev. Dauvisbeure, Mrs. Greffe and infant, Mrs. Torche, 1 Japanese woman, and 116 Chinese. For Shanghai.—Mr. Dolbyshoff, from Suez. For Yokohama.—Messrs. Tokuno and Kounurski, from Marseilles. From Saigon.—Mrs. Leonté, and Mrs. Jorlia.

DEPARTED.

Per *Djemnah*, str., from Hongkong.—For Saigon.—Messrs. Cameron, Hugney, Ho Cu, and 5 Chinese. For Singapore.—Mr. W. Forrester. For Marseilles.—Dieut. L. S. M. d'Eca, Messrs. McIntosh, R. Merry, Dodd, Petersen, and Bark. From Shanghai.—For Marseilles.—H. E. Senor Salcedo (Spanish Minister), and Mrs. Salcedo, H.E. M. Cogordan (French Minister), Madame Cogordan and suite, Mr. and Mrs. Craven.

REPORTS.

The Austro-Hungarian steamer *Medusa*, from Trieste via Singapore 18th June, reports fine weather and variable wind throughout.

The British steamer *Wingsang*, from Calcutta 8th June, and Singapore 18th, reports fine weather with light S. and S.E. breeze throughout.

AMOY SHIPPING.

June— ARRIVALS.
17, Ling Feng, Customs str., from Foochow.
17, Namoa, British str., from Foochow.
17, Fokien, British str., from Hongkong.
17, Parthia, British str., from Shanghai.
17, Rapido, Italian cruiser, from Hongkong.
18, Haiphong, British str., from Hongkong.
18, Kwongsang, British str., from Swatow.
18, Leesang, British str., from Shanghai.
19, Anton, German str., from Hongkong.

June— DEPARTURES.
16, Zafiro, British str., for Manila.
17, Hailoong, British str., for Hongkong.
17, Fokien, British str., for Tamsui.
17, Namoa, British str., for Swatow.
18, Ling Feng, Customs str., for Swatow.
18, Chateaubriand, British bark, for N'ohwang.
18, Haiphong, British str., for Foochow.
18, Kwongsang, British str., for Shanghai.
19, Norway, Norwegian bk, for Victoria, V.I.

FOOCHOW SHIPPING.

June— ARRIVALS.
12, Charley, British bark, from Amoy.
12, Fu yew, Chinese str., from Shanghai.
12, Namoa, British str., from Hongkong.
13, Tannadice, British str., from Hongkong.
15, Diomed, British str., from Shanghai.
15, Nanzing, British str., from Shanghai.
16, Ramblor, British g-b., from a cruise.
17, Thales, British str., from Hongkong.
17, Woosung, British str., from Hongkong.

June— DEPARTURES.
13, Tamsui, British str., for New Zealand.
14, Ling Feng, Customs str., for Amoy.
15, Fu-yow, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
15, Guthrie, British str., for Australia.
16, Albatross, British g-b., for a cruise.
16, Namoa, British str., for Hongkong.
16, Pathan, British str., for Melbourne.
16, Oopack, British str., for Shanghai.
16, Elsa, German sch., for Tientsin.
17, Diomed, British str., for London.
18, Francisca, German sch., for Tientsin.

SHANGHAI SHIPPING.

June— ARRIVALS.
13, Ichang, British str., from Ningpo.
13, Pekin, British str., from Hankow.
13, Ingeborg, British str., from Nagasaki.
13, Merionethshire, British str., from Kobe.
13, Oxus, French str., from Hongkong.
16, Chungking, British str., from Tientsin.
16, Chi-yuen, Chinese str., from Taku Bar.
16, Farragut, Amr. ship, from New York.

June— DEPARTURES.
13, Fuh Wo, British str., for Hankow.
13, W. C. de Vries, British str., for Hankow.
13, Pautah, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
13, El Dorado, British str., for Chefoo.
13, Nanzing, British str., for Foochow.
13, Diomed, British str., for London.
13, Ningpo, British str., for Hongkong.
14, Parthia, British str., for New York.
14, Ichang, British str., for Ningpo.
15, Chow-chow-foo, German str., for Amoy.
15, Hae-ting, Chinese str., for Tientsin.
15, Kiang-foo, Chinese str., for Hankow.
15, Kwang-lee, Chinese str., for Hongkong.
15, Kowshing, British str., for Chefoo.
15, Kiangteen, Chinese str., for Ningpo.
15, Espoir, British g-b., for Port Hamilton.
16, Tokio Maru, Japanese str., for Japan.
16, Cito, German str., for Nagasaki.
16, Amoy, British str., for Hongkong.
16, Haushin, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
16, Pekin, British str., &c. Hankow.
16, Lee-sang, British str., for Amoy.
16, Ichang, British str., for Ningpo.

INTIMATION.

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in new registered designs and a good variety of styles, all of which give perfect freedom of movement.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 14th May, 1886. [26

W. BREWER HAS JUST RECEIVED
5,000 Vols. of Seaside Library.
Humboldt Library, Deutche Library and other Cheap Summer Reading.
New American Collections of Songs and Instrumental Music.
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Sim's Dagonet Ballads.
A great variety of Photo Albums.
Lamp Shades.
Ladies' Garden Tools.
Great Quantity of New Children Toys, Dolls, and Picture Books.
Sweet Caporal Cigarettes.
The Rensham Tennis Shoes.
W. BREWER, Queen's Road, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL. [25

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
Wolseley's Soldier's Pocket Book—Now Ed.
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Box's Practical Treatise on Heat.
Forbes' Hindustani Manual.
Very's Navies of the World.
Penley's Sketching from Nature in Water Colours.
Another Shipment of Sweet Caporal Cigarettes.
Letter Scales—Parcel Post Scales.
A splendid Lot of Briar Root and Meerschaum Pipes and Bowls.
New Stock of English-made Account Books.
KELLY & WALSH, LD., HONGKONG. 24]

FIFTH AND FINAL DRAWING.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that in conformity with the Conditions under which the DEBENTURES of the above Company were issued, the following Numbers of Debentures, to be paid off in Hongkong on the 30th day of June instant, when the Interest thereon will Cease to be payable, were on this 4th day of June instant DRAWN at the Office of Messieurs JARDINE, MATHESON AND COMPANY, the General Agents of the Company, in the presence of the undersigned Notary.

THE NUMBERS OF DEBENTURES DRAWN ARE:—

6	13	14	16	23	28	29
30	34	35	36	37	40	49
60	66	67	72	80	85	86
100	104	105	107	108	109	129
132	133	147	151	152	154	161
164	172	175	179	180	186	193
200	208	215	224	225	234	237
248	251	258	261	274	275	278
280	290	292	299	301	308	314
320	325	327	329	331	336	343
344	345	349	365	366	368	370
371	373	380	388	395	399	400
401	405	406	409	413	415	422
423	429	436	441	443	447	457
458	461	464	471	472	473	479
480	481	486	487	490	492	496
498	504	507	517	518	523	527
530	533	535	540	543	544	545
548	553	567	568	560	571	573
574	575	581	588	590	594	599

The above DEBENTURES will be paid at the OFFICE of the undersigned GENERAL AGENTS on and after the 30th June instant.

For the CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Countersigned,
VICTOR H. DEACON,
Notary Public,
Hongkong, 4th June, 1886. [1141

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 12th until the 28th instant, both days inclusive.

HENRY R. H. MARTIN,
Manager.
Hongkong, 12th June, 1886. [1176

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN accordance with SPECIAL RESOLUTION No. 2, passed on 5th May, 1886, and confirmed on 21st idem, Notice is hereby given, that the Balance of $50 per Share on the 1,000 New Shares is payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION as follows:—
2nd Call of $25 on 29th June, 1886.
3rd Call of $25 on 30th June, 1886.
12 per Cent. Interest per Annum will be charged on all Calls Unpaid on and after 30th June, 1886.
SHAREHOLDERS will oblige by paying the TWO CALLS at the same time.
The TRANSFER BOOKS for New Shares will be CLOSED from 25th to 30th June, both days inclusive.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1886.
By Order of the Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
[1108] Secretary.

PROFESSOR GORDON,
THE ILLUSIONIST,
IS COMING.
SAVE YOUR MONEY.
Hongkong, 21st June, 1886. [1223

BANKS.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ..... £2,000,000.
PAID UP ..... £ 800,000.

Registered Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally on terms to be had on application.

Interest allowed on Deposits:—
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
Fixed for 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
Fixed for 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
On Current Deposit Accounts 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such Claims purchased on advantageous terms.
Agency of the NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

H. A. HERBERT,
Manager, Hongkong Branch.
Hongkong, 31st May, 1886. [7

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... $7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND ..... 4,500,000.
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS ..... 500,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS 7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
Chairman—A. McIVER, Esq.
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J. Bell-Irving, Esq. | H. Hoppius, Esq.
C. D. Bottomley, Esq. | E. H. M. Huntington, Esq.
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CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
ACTING CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong—JOHN WALTER, Esq.
MANAGER.
Shanghai—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON & COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum.
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
DRAFTS granted on London and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 11th June, 1886. [5

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than $1, or more than $250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than $2,000 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having $100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 8th May, 1885. [8

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

ON and after 1st July next the COST OF STAMPS on all DRAFTS issued by the Undersigned Banks will have to be paid for by the Purchasers.

FOR THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA,
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
FOR THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
JOHN WALTER,
Acting Chief Manager.
FOR THE COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS,
C. C. INCHBALD,
Agent.
FOR THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED,
H. A. HERBERT,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 10th June, 1886. [1167

HONGKONG HOTEL "ROTISSERIE."

IN connection with the HONGKONG HOTEL the above is now Open from 7 A.M. to MIDNIGHT.
REFRESHMENTS of every description supplied either Hot or Cold.
ICE CREAMS will be ready from NOON, every day.
LIST OF CHARGES will be found in the "ROTISSERIE," (next Door to Mr. BREWER'S BOOK STORE).

TERMS, CASH ONLY.
By Order,
L. HAUSCHILD,
Secretary,
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited.
Hongkong, 5th June, 1886. [1140

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

INVESTED FUNDS.....£6,466,527.

ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE POLICIES
SECURED PAYMENT POLICIES
RETIREMENT ANNUITY POLICIES
Are granted under liberal conditions as regards Rates, Non-forfeiture, Surrender, and Revival.

EVERY facility is afforded for despatch of Business. Premiums moderate. Proposal Forms on application.
THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED,
Agents, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 20th April, 1886. [808—3

MONEY TO BE LENT ON MORTGAGE. Sums from $2,000 to $11,000.
Apply, by letter, to
V. Y.,
Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1886. [914

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Inspector ORLEY to Sell by Public Auction, on
MONDAY,
the 28th June, 1886, at No. ON, at his Residence, No. 53, Wyndham Street,
THE WHOLE OF THE
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
Comprising:—
CRETONNE COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, CENTRE and SIDE TABLES, MIRRORS, PICTURES, BOOK-SHELF and BOOKS.
TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD and WHATNOTS, CARD TABLE, DINNER, DESSERT, and BREAKFAST SERVICES, GLASS and PLATED WARE.
DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEADS, IRON AND WOODEN COTS, WARDROBES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, TOILET TABLE and GLASS and WASHSTAND.
&c., &c., &c.
CATALOGUES will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1886. [1246

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction on
MONDAY,
the 28th day of June, 1886, at 3 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,
(UNLESS PREVIOUSLY DISPOSED OF BY PRIVATE CONTRACT),
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
THE BRITISH STEAMER
"D A F I L A,"
Of 552 Nett Register Tons or thereabouts, as she now lies off the Kowloon Dock.
The Vessel is classed at Lloyds A I and is of 99 Nominal Horse Power. The Vessel can be inspected and particulars of her Inventory, &c., can be obtained from the Undersigned.
The Vendors Reserve to themselves the right to bid either by themselves or their Agents.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the Hammer, and the Vessel to be at the Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 21st June, 1886. [1224

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Captain LYALL, R.A., to Sell by Public Auction, on
TUESDAY,
the 29th June, 1886, at 2 P.M., at his Residence No. 1, Lower West Terrace,
THE WHOLE OF HIS
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,
Comprising:—
CRETONNE COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE.
CENTRE & SIDE TABLES, CHIMNEY GLASS, OLEOGRAPHS, CHROMOS, CARPET, and HEARTH RUGS.
TEAK EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOTS, and ARM CHAIRS, DINNER, DESSERT, and TEA SETS, GLASS and PLATED WARE.
IRON BEDSTEADS and IRON COT, WARDROBES, CHEVAL GLASS, TOILET TABLE and GLASS and WASHSTAND.
A COTTAGE PIANO, by J. BROADWOOD & Sons.
&c., &c., &c.
CATALOGUES will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 23rd June, 1886. [1236

FOR SALE.

TENDERS for the Purchase of the British Steamship
"D A F I L A,"
552 Tons Net Register, 99 Horse Power, No. 874 Tons Gross Register.
As she now lies in the Harbour, will be received at the Office of the Undersigned until SATURDAY, 26th June, 1886, at NOON.
The Undersigned do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any Tender presented.
Full Particulars can be obtained on Board or from
WIELER & Co.,
Agents S. S. *Dafila*;
or from
GILMAN & Co.,
Lloyds' Agents.
Hongkong, 21st June, 1886. [1225

FOR SALE.

THREE EUROPEAN HOUSES in MOSQUE TERRACE. Rental $50 per Month each.

The Property known as BLACKHEAD'S GODOWNS, WANCHI, measuring 116 feet on the Praya by 300 feet deep. This Property is bounded by 4 wide streets and is most suitable for Manufacturing or Shipping purposes.

The Well-known Premises occupied by the HONGKONG CLUB in the Centre of the City.

Three-fourths of the Purchase Money on any of the above Properties may remain on Mortgage at current rates of interest.

ALSO,
TO BE LOANED on Mortgage $40,000 at Current Rates.
Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 17th June, 1886. [1201

FOR SALE (Investment or Occupation). "ROCKLANDS," Robinson Road, occupied by Dr. MANSON. Six Fine Rooms, Hall, Dressing, and Bath Rooms, W.C., Verandahs Front, East and South sides. Large Basements. Closed Cellar. House capable of enlargement at small outlay. Area, including Garden, 27,500 sq. feet. Crown Rent $18.18. Price $15,000. $10,000 can remain at 7 per Cent. Apply to M. STEPHENS, Bank Buildings.
Hongkong, 6th May, 1886. [953

FOR SALE.

CRAIGIEBURN—MOUNT GOUGH.

THIS DESIRABLE RESIDENCE is situated on one of the very best positions on the whole hillside, and there is room for additional building.
The HOUSE is very strongly built, partly of Concrete Blocks, and partly of Bricks on Granite Basement. It contains SEVEN ROOMS, besides DRESSING ROOMS, BATH ROOMS, &c., and TWO DRYING ROOMS. The Front Verandah is more than usually spacious, and the house as at present, or enlarged as it might easily be, is suitable for a Summer Club or Hotel. There are TWO LAWN TENNIS COURTS, one in Chunam, and one in Grass.
Possession may be had by arrangement, and the Furniture, if desired, may be taken at a valuation.
Two-thirds of the purchase money may remain on Mortgage at 7 per Cent.
For Further Particulars, apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1886. [1023

CITY OF MANILA CIGAR STORE.

This Establishment is in constant receipt of the BEST MANILA CIGARS of all BRANDS and MAKES, and GUARANTEES the Genuineness of the Stuff and the Perfection of Manufacture. Sells at Very Moderate Prices, and in case the Cigars are not found satisfactory they CAN BE RETURNED within SIX days.
J. D. BARA.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1886. [1089

INTIMATIONS.

THE HONGKONG MASONIC CLUB, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES 1865 TO 1883 OF HONGKONG.

CAPITAL ..... $8,000.
Divided into 800 Shares of $10 each. On each Share there shall be paid the sum of $5 on application, and the balance of $5 per Share shall be payable on allotment.

DIRECTORS.
C. P. CHATER, Esq. | S. J. GOWER, Esq.
G. C. COX, Esq. | CHARLES GRANT, Esq.
DR. WM. YOUNG.

HON. SECRETARY.
(For the time being.)
CHARLES GRANT, Esq.

BANKERS.
THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITORS.
MESSRS. WOTTON & DEACON.

PROSPECTUS.

THIS Company has been formed for the purpose of establishing a MASONIC CLUB in Hongkong, for the use and enjoyment of the Masonic Fraternity in Hongkong and China, on the Rules and with the powers mentioned in the Memorandum and Articles of Association.
Negociations are now proceeding with the view of obtaining for a Club House a lease of the premises now being erected at the south-west corner of Duddell Street, adjoining Zetland Lodge. These premises will be, when finished, commodious and appropriate for the purpose, and are situated in a central and advantageous position.
There is no agreement in existence affecting the Company.
The present registered Office of the Company is at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S premises, No. 19, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.
Applications for Shares which will be received up to and including the 15th day of July, 1886, must be made on the accompanying form and forwarded to the Hon. Secretary, and the amount payable on application must be paid to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION at Hongkong. If no allotment is made the deposit will be returned without any deduction but without any interest, and where the number of Shares allotted is less than the number applied for the surplus will be credited in reduction of the amount payable on allotment and any excess returned.
Forms of "Application for Shares" may be obtained from the HONORARY SECRETARY.
Hongkong, 21st June, 1886. [1226

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Messrs. SCHNABL and COMPANY of Vienna, Manufacturers of Cigarette Papers, have complied with the requirements of Ordinances Nos. 16 of 1873 and 8 of 1886 for the Registration in this Colony of their Trade Marks as applied to Books of Cigarette Papers, and that the same have been duly registered in the Register of Trade Marks at the Colonial Secretary's Office in this Colony.
All and any Persons or Person, Firms or Firm, Companies or Company, who shall either directly or indirectly make use or adopt the said Trade Marks or either of them or any imitation or resemblance thereof or in any wise counterfeit imitate or resemble the same or shall make or cause to be made any addition thereunto or subtraction therefrom whereby to pretend themselves, himself, or itself the owners or owner thereof without the License or Consent in writing from the said Firm or their Agents or Agent duly appointed first had and obtained will be liable to be sued by the Registered Owners or their Agents or Agent and be answerable to them and him in damages therefor.
NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Messrs. GROSSMANN & Co., of Victoria, Hongkong, have been appointed the Sole Agents in China for the Sale of the said Cigarette Paper so manufactured by the said Firm and for the protection thereof.
WOTTON & DEACON,
Solicitors for Messrs. JACOB SCHNABL & Co. and for Messrs. GROSSMANN & Co.
Hongkong, 16th June, 1886. [1197

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held on THURSDAY, the 8th day of July, Proximo, at the Office of the Company, No. 5, Stanley Street, Victoria, Hongkong, at 12 o'CLOCK NOON, in conformity with the Provisions made under Ordinance No. 1 of 1877, Sec. 38.
Dated the 23rd day of June, 1886.
A. P. STOKES,
1235] Secretary.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"GLENLYON."
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned whence and/or from the wharves or boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY, the 22nd instant.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 29th instant, will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, 22nd June, 1886. [1234

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EX O.S.S. CO.'S S.S. "GLAUCUS." FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 25th inst., for shipment per steamer "ULYSSES."
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 20th June, 1886. [1189

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "GLAUCUS," are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 20th inst.
Goods undelivered after the 26th instant, will be subject to Rent.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 20th June, 1886. [1189

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.
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Ex "AVA,"
A F P (in diamond) 5112/5113—2 Cases Soap, Consigned to Order from London.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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Hongkong, 5th June, 1886.

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

ON and after the First of July, the STORE of F. VINCENOT will be REMOVED to No. 8, Queen's Road Central.
F. VINCENOT.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1886. [1243

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WILSON & Co.,
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Chinese Engineering & Mining Co.
Tientsin, 1st June, 1886. [1245

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

THE Steamship
"NORTHERN,"
Captain Richardson, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 30th inst., at THREE P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1886. [1248

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship
"WINGSANG,"
Captain Ste. Croix, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 3rd July, at THREE P.M.
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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th June, 1886. [1250

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Agents.
Hongkong, 25th June, 1886. [1157

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"CELTIC MONARCH."
Captain Hilditch, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, by the undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at the Kowloon Piers, and there stored in Godowns at Consignees' risk and expense.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M., TO-DAY, the 24th inst.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent.
All Claims must reach us before 4 P.M. of the 4th Proximo, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be Countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1886. [1252

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"WINGSANG,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Saltpetre, are being landed at their risk into Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.
Saltpetre impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the 1st July, will be subject to rent.
All Claims must be made immediately as none will be entertained after the 1st July.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1886. [1249

STEAMSHIP "SAGHALIEN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London Antwerp, Havre, and Bordeaux Ex S. S. "CORDOUAN," "OPAL," AND "CAMBRAI," in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 2 P.M., TO-DAY (THURSDAY), requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 1st July, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges at one cent per package per diem.
All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 3rd July, (SATURDAY), or they will not be recognized.
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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1886.

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1886. 122

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Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JUNE 25TH, 1886.

THE first batch of Consular Reports for the year 1885 was received by the mail yesterday, and follows closely upon the issue here of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs Reports and Returns of Trade. This expedition in the publication of these valuable reports is a welcome circumstance and one which we hope will be repeated every year in future. Formerly the reports were deprived of much of their value by the lateness of their appearance, which gave rise to a great deal of well founded complaint. As it is, the present volume only contains four reports, but we trust the remainder will speedily follow. We have characterised the reports as valuable, and in proof of the justness of this description we need only refer our readers to the extract from Mr. ALLEN'S report on Pakhoi which we reproduce in another column. Mr. ALLEN discusses the important question whether the trade of South-Western China is in future to be conducted through the recently acquired French possession of Tonquin, or through Pakhoi and by the West River. The trade is destined to receive an almost indefinite development, and it is the duty of this colony not to let it slip past us. This there is great danger of its doing unless steps are speedily taken to place the fiscal system of the Kwangtung and Kwangsi authorities on a fairer basis. At present Haiphong is supplied from Hongkong, but if the Tonquin merchants secure a firm hold on the Yunnan and Kwangsi trade it is hardly likely that this will long continue to be the case; as the trade increases imports will find their way to Tonquin direct, and this colony will derive but little benefit from the development of commercial intercourse in South-Western China. Mr. ALLEN is not alone in his apprehensions as to the effect the exploitation of the Tonquin route, with the advantages secured by the recent treaty, may have upon the existing course of trade. Mr. HIPPISLEY, the Commissioner of Customs at Canton, in his report for last year, says:—

> Under the treaty of peace signed by China and France in June last, recognising the protectorate of the latter country over Tonquin, a trading mart is to be opened behind Langson and another behind Laokai, from which the French will be able to tap the Kwangsi and Yünnan provinces respectively, and at these marts a tariff is to be introduced slightly more favourable than that in force at the treaty coast ports. The French have, moreover, expressed the intention of promoting the development of trade routes within their protectorate. Possessing such advantages, were the French to abandon the system of protection, which has worked so disastrously for trade in their other possessions, and to adopt instead a light and reasonable tariff, they might hope to almost monopolise the exploitation of at least Kwangsi, and to deflect to Tonquin the trade in Cassia, Ginger, Aniseed, Essential Oils, and probably a variety of other Kwangsi products now scarcely known to commerce. It would therefore be wise policy for China to develop as much as possible the transport of merchandise along the West River by encouraging the use of Transit Passes and, as a first step in this direction, to lose no time in drawing up a list of the first barriers goods would pass when leaving the various districts in Kwangsi. If this be done, this trade, which is at present far larger than is generally believed, will increase and will continue to pass along the West River; while if it be once allowed to leave this route, it may be impossible to induce it to return.

How far the Government is from encouraging the use of transit passes is seen from Mr. ALLEN'S report. "Throughout China we see the trade following the route along which the taxes are lightest." So far from that route being found in Southern China, or being accessible to this colony, goods for Kwangsi travel by Hankow, two thousand miles farther than they would have to go if they were sent through the Kwangtung province. This with a magnificent stream like the West River available and likewise the ready communication from Pakhoi. Surely it is time some effective steps were taken to at least enforce the transit pass clause of the treaty. Here are we in Hongkong called upon at the present moment to calmly consider a project for the establishment of a Chinese Custom House in this British Colony, while at the same time the Chinese Government is throwing all manner of illegal impediments in the way of British trade in Southern China, and imposing a special tax with the avowed object, as we learn from Mr. ALLEN'S report, of neutralising the benefits of the transit pass system. If the French, under their recent treaty, succeed not only in passing their goods across the frontier at less than the maritime tariff, but also in securing an effective transit pass system, which is said to be provided for in the treaty, the bulk of the trade will undoubtedly gravitate to the Tonquin route. The Chamber of Commerce would, we think, do well to take this question in hand and follow up the representations already made as to the opening of the West River to steamer navigation by further strong representations as to the importance of Great Britain's insisting on the enforcement of the transit pass clause of the treaty and the removal of all illegal levies on trade. There is also the further question whether the application of the Most Favoured Nation clause should not be insisted on. The abatement of duties on foreign goods at the two Custom-houses on the borders of Kwangsi and Yunnan is to be twenty per cent. on the scale in the Maritime Customs tariff. This concession is an important one, and there are further concessions to the effect that Frenchmen may travel in the interior of China to purchase goods and produce, and these will pay at the frontier the same duty as will be charged to native dealers, viz., two-thirds of the duty under the existing Customs' tariff. It has been suggested that the impression at home is that the French trade over the Tonquin border is too unimportant to make it worth while to fight for the application of the Most Favoured Nation clause. But the question is, not so much what the trade is at present, but what it may become hereafter, and whether it will not divert to a great extent the trade from this Colony by way of Canton and Pakhoi. In the correspondence recently presented to Parliament respecting the French treaty with Annam and negotiations between France and China there is a communication from the Board of Trade to the Foreign Office, in which the principle of the Most Favoured Nation clause is strongly urged, but nothing seems to have come of it up to the date to which the correspondence is brought down.

We observe by home papers that Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Bellios have become members of the Primrose League.

M. Filippini, the new Governor of Cochin-China, was a passenger by the French mail steamer *Saghalien* to Saigon.

Captain Escande has, according to a Paris telegram published in the *Saigonnais*, been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the naval division of Cochin-China.

The remaining eleven men charged with having been concerned in the Gough-street riot were before the Police Court again yesterday. After some further evidence for the defence the case was again remanded.

The *Straits Times* learns from Anjer that a mutiny broke out on the 10th March on board the British ship *John McLeod*, from New York bound for Shanghai, which resulted in the second mate and a Greek sailor being killed.

Says the *World*:—The Sultan of Johore has arranged to leave England in the *Bengal* to-morrow (the 19th May). His plans for the financial development of the Singapore Golconda have somewhat hung fire, and he intends sojourning a while in Ceylon on his way back to his dissolute dominions.

Captain Fulton, of the British barque *Eudora*, reports at Anjer that on the 6th April, when passing the island of Tristan D'Acunha, a boat came alongside and informed him that on the 18th November, 1885, 15 men put off in a life-boat to speak a British iron sailing ship and have not since been heard of. These men were all heads of families, some of them having as many as twelve children. The utmost anxiety prevails regarding their safety.

According to Messrs. Thos. Watson & Co.'s Tea report, dated 5th June, the total export of tea from Calcutta to the United Kingdom from 1st January to 31st May was 9,924,625lbs. as compared with 10,703,466lbs. in the corresponding five months of last year, and 10,693,988lbs. in the like period of 1884. The export to Australia and New Zealand during the same period was 313,337lbs. against 637,857lbs. in 1885, and 115,724lbs. in the first five months of 1884.

The following appears in *Truth* of the 20th ult.:—"The Marquis Tseng has kept a diary during his residence in England, and, when he returns to China, he intends to leave it in the hands of a friend in London, who is to prepare it for publication. The interest of the Marquis's experiences will be considerably diminished by the fact that all personal allusions are to be struck out. People would like vastly to have his genuine impressions of all the notable people he has met during his stay in this country."

A case of flogging at the Hongkong Public School has recently engaged the attention of the Committee, a complaint having been lodged against the Master by the father of the boy concerned. The Committee, it appears, has not deemed it necessary to pass any censure upon Mr. Bateman. We have received a letter from the Hon. P. Ryrie on the subject, Mr. Ryrie being a member of the Committee and dissenting from the decision of the majority, but as the case has already been adjudicated on by a competent tribunal we cannot open our columns to the serious reflections in connection with the affair made by Mr. Ryrie.

A French journal, according to the *Indo-European Correspondence*, affirms that China has determined to annex Thibet to the empire, leaving the Grand Lama only his spiritual authority. The real reason for the step, adds the writer, is that the conquest of Burmah brings England into contact with Thibet, which has hitherto been an impenetrable barrier between India and China. Peking has, therefore, determined to convert its protectorate over Thibet into an annexation pure and simple. It is doubtful, says the writer, whether this change will make it any easier for travellers to penetrate to Lhassa, the seat of the Grand Lama.

It has been stated that the steel cruiser *Phaeton* is shortly to be sent out to China to reinforce Admiral Hamilton's Squadron. This can hardly be correct in view of the following statement in the last received London papers:—The departure of the cruiser *Phaeton* from Sheerness for the Mediterranean Station, which was fixed for the 18th May, has again had to be postponed through defects in her machinery. The *Phaeton* is a new fast steel cruiser of the *Leander* type, and has had three steam-trials at Sheerness since she hoisted the pennant, all of them being unsuccessful, her machinery breaking down on two occasions. It is expected that the vessel will have to be sent back to Chatham, where she was fitted for sea, for her defects to be made good.

The delivery of the French Mail was begun at 7.35 yesterday morning.

No European traveller, of the some half-dozen who have been to Lhasa, has (says the *Statesman*) given anything like a satisfactory description of the place. It will be left to the Thibet Mission to fill up the blank space in our knowledge. The Jesuits, Gruebor and Dorville, who visited Lhassa in 1661, give no account of the city at all; nor does Father Desiderí, who was there in 1715-16. The Dutch traveller, Samuel Vanderput, has left no record of his travels behind him; and Mr. Thomas Manning, who visited Lhassa in 1811, gives only the most meagre description. The native explorer, A—k of the Indian Survey Department, tells us a good deal about the city, and has even drawn a plausible looking map of it; but his observations require to be checked, as well as expanded.

The scratch four oared race got up at the Recreation Club about a fortnight ago, for prizes offered by the new Chairman, Hon. A. P. MacEwen, may possibly take place this evening, owing to one of the rowing men being likely to be leaving the colony for a time before the race can be rowed on Saturday, the time originally fixed. There is every prospect of an exceedingly close contest, as all the crews are most evenly matched. Goodlad's crew is the most fancied, and he has certainly a lot of power behind him, and the crew keep excellent time. All the other three boats are going well, however, and in a half mile race Glass's smart starting should stand him in good stead. Sampson has an excellent record, and his boat goes well, but he is not quite in his best trim, and his crew is rather light. Grace has a powerful crew, but the stroke is a bit short. It is probable, however, that at the finish of the race there will not be two lengths' difference between the lot.

A little girl named Li Sun Fung was drowned yesterday beside Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s new pier under circumstances which will be found detailed in the evidence below, which was taken at an inquest at the Mortuary yesterday afternoon before the Acting Coroner and Messrs. R. Kennedy, J. Rodger, and C. Ledbury, as jury. Li Aking, master of cargo boat No. 3, said the deceased was his daughter, named Li Sun Fung, five years of age. That morning his boat was loading sugar at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s pier, and at 7 a.m. he saw his daughter sitting on deck eating bananas. At a quarter past seven he missed her. He sent one boatman ashore to look for her, and he sent another to dive into the water, to see if she had fallen overboard. The latter found her dead on the bottom, under the stern of the boat. He brought her up and witness reported the matter at No. 7 Station. The crew were employed on the boat all the time loading sugar, his wife was cooking, and his other child was there, but no one heard any alarm.—Long Fuk Yeung, a boatman in the employ of last witness, gave evidence to diving in search of the deceased by his master's directions. The water was there rather more than a fathom deep. He found the deceased under the stern of the boat, and he brought her up.—Mak Asu, mother of the deceased, gave evidence of a similar nature. She said her daughter was not subject to fits, and she heard no cry from her, nor any splash. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* says:—The negotiations between the Vatican and China for placing the Roman Catholic missionaries in the latter country under the control of a Papal Legate at Peking and thus getting rid of the French protectorate, are running the course prophesied for them at the outset a year ago. The French Government objects violently to anything which lessens its political prestige, and so the Pope has just attempted to steer a middle course by agreeing that the Legate at Peking shall in no way interfere with the political protectorate hitherto exercised by France over the missionaries. But, as we now learn, China has no intention of receiving a Legate shorn of the only part of his power which rendered his presence valuable to the Chinese, and the Pope will have to seek for some other *via media*. The Chinese object is clear enough. "Your missionaries," they say, "are political tools in the hands of the French Minister; the trail of the political serpent is over all their works; they are hated and detested by our people on that account; their power for good is paralysed, and they are a source of trouble and uneasiness to us. Relieve them from their political shackles, make them real missionaries, and we will gladly receive from their spiritual head a local chief, to whom we will pay the same deference that we do to other diplomatic representatives." The Chinese, in fact, for their own purposes want to deprive French policy of the powerful aid of the Church; while the Pope hopes to make his priests popular instead of unpopular, successful instead of comparatively unsuccessful, and to recover the ancient renown of Catholicism in China.

We regret to state that the kerosine stove accident in Aberdeen-street on Wednesday morning has proved fatal not only to the unfortunate boy, whose ignorance caused the disaster, but one of the Messrs. Agabeg has also succumbed to the burns he sustained in going to the boy's assistance. This is Mr. J. Agabeg, an assistant to Mr. A. E. Marty. The boy's name was Cheung Afuk. An inquest was opened on both bodies at the Mortuary yesterday before Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Innes, Acting Coroner, and Messrs. R. Kennedy, C. Ledbury, and J. Rodger as jury. The evidence taken was as follows. Dr. Wharry, Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital, said the deceased were brought to the Hospital at about 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, both severely burned, and Cheung Afuk died at one p.m. from the effects of his injuries. Mr. J. Agabeg died, he believed, that morning, but he was not quite sure when. The cause of death in both cases was burning.—Tai Yun Yuk said he was a servant into reporter to the Police. On the previous day, about 9.15 a.m., an alarm of fire was raised at No. 25, Aberdeen-street. When he reached there he saw the deceased boy running downstairs with a jacket and no trousers on; the jacket was enveloped in flames, and someone in the street pulled it off him. Witness picked up the jacket and purse and sent to the Central Station for an ambulance. When the ambulance came he put the boy in it and sent him to the Civil Hospital. The boy was badly burned, and the skin was coming off him.—Cheung Ki Mun said the deceased Cheung Afuk was his nephew, 17 years of age, and was employed in a Portuguese house in Aberdeen-street. At this stage the inquiry was adjourned *sine die* to await the time when the surviving Mr. Agabeg should be sufficiently recovered to give evidence.

The subjoined items are taken from the *London and China Express* of the 21st ult:—

The troopship *Tamar*, Captain Warren, left Devonport on the 13th May for China, and should reach Hongkong on the 24th July.

The *Curacoa*, arrived at Gibraltar on the 18th May from the China station and left on the 19th for Plymouth, to be paid out of commission.

Major J. Steevens, Assistant Commissary-General of Ordnance, has been appointed Senior Ordnance Store Officer at Hongkong, *vice* Lieut.-Colonel G. C. Murray.

It is reported from Vernoe that a battalion of Chinese troops stationed at Turfan lately revolted on account of their pay being in arrear. It is added that the ringleaders have been executed.

The *Journal de St. Pétersbourg* contradicts the report of apprehended complications with China. The Russian and Chinese Governments are about to settle the frontier in Ousscuri, and it supposes that the presence of Russian and Chinese soldiers there, forming the escort of the Commissioners, has caused the disquieting reports.

Of the young Chinese officers forming part of the Mission of Study which lately arrived in France ten have entered at Ste. Barbe to go through a course of instruction, especially organised for them, in engineering and artillery practice. Others have joined the Ecole Normale Scientifique, four have been sent to Lille and Orleans, and the rest, belonging to the navy, leave shortly for England.

In the London Bankruptcy Court Mr. Registrar Giffard has made a receiving order against Messrs. Harris and Goodwin, general merchants, of Leadenhall-street, and Shadwell-street, Birmingham, also of Shanghai, Hongkong, Singapore, and elsewhere, trading as Harris, Goodwin, and Co., and of Batavia, trading as "Harris and Goodwin." The liabilities did not transpire. As to the assets it was stated that there was £700 or £800 worth of property at Birmingham, and that there was other property at the various places of business. An application will be made this day for the appointment of a special manager of the business.

On Monday, the 17th May, the Marquis Tsêng journeyed to Newcastle, his principal object in visiting that town being to inspect Sir William Armstrong's shipbuilding and gun works, and especially to note what progress had been made in the construction of the two war vessels ordered for the Chinese Government in October last. To-day the Marquis goes to Edinburgh, where he will remain till Monday, and then go on to Glasgow. He proposed to remain in Glasgow the greater part of next week, returning to London in order to participate in the dinner, &c., in honour of the Queen's birthday at the Foreign Office. Mr. Fung Yee is in attendance on the Marquis, Sir Halliday Macartney being delayed in town by the requirements of his Excellency Lew Shui Fun, who is not yet quite settled down in his new sphere.

The Deutsche Dampfschiffs Rhederei (Kingsin line) has resolved to print its bills of lading and other commercial documents in German—and no longer, as heretofore, in the English language. Further, it has been resolved to calculate all measurements of goods in meters and centimeters, and not in feet and inches; also to quote the rates of freight in marks and pfennings, instead of shillings and pence. The company has been compelled to take this course as the new German line of subsidised steamers is permitted by the Government only to make use of the German language. Therefore the rival line must follow suit, or lose much support from German shippers. I am told that the other Hamburg steamship companies are taking similar steps. From Stettin, on the Baltic, it is reported that the Stettiner Lloyd, a steamship company trading between Stettin and New York, *via* Copenhagen and Gothenburg, is in financial difficulties. This company owns but two steamships, namely, the *Katie* and *Martha*, respectively of 2,094 tons and 1,560 tons net, and 250 nominal horse-power each. The former was built at Glasgow in 1880, the latter at Kiel in 1884.

We are enabled to give some particulars respecting the two new Chinese men-of-war which are under construction at the Vulcan shipbuilding yard, Stettin. The vessels are ironclad corvettes; and will be protected partly by belting of iron plates of 212 mm., and partly by an iron deck of 40 mm. They will be of the following dimensions: Length 82.4m. (water line), beam 12m., and depth 7.75m. Their draught of water will be 5.10 m., giving a displacement of 2,900 tons. They are being built of steel, and for two-thirds of their length will be provided with a double bottom. The vital parts of the vessels, including the engines, boilers, munition rooms, &c., will be protected by steel plating, to which will be added below the water-line a steel deck of 75 mm. The iron plating will reach 1·20 m. below and 0·60 m. above the water-line, and below water will be reduced to 1.30 mm. in thickness. The armament will consist of 21 cm. and two 15 cm. Krupps. The 21 cm. guns are to be placed in a turret, which is to be protected by 210 mm. thickness of compound plating. Besides these heavy guns the corvettes will carry seven Hotchkiss guns. The engines will be of 3,400 indicated horse power, and will propel the vessels by twin screws at the rate of 15½ knots an hour. The vessels will only be manned by 180 hands each. The construction is being expedited as much as possible.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 23rd June.

THE GENERAL ELECTIONS.

The general elections will commence on the 1st July.

THE PREMIER'S VISIT TO EDINBURGH.

Mr. Gladstone has visited Edinburgh and has been received with immense ovations.

THE EXPULSION OF THE ORLEANS PRINCES FROM FRANCE.

The Senate has passed the Bill expelling the Orleans Princes.

POLICE COURT.

24th June.

BEFORE MR. N. G. MITCHELL-INNES.

LARCENY.

Chan I, coolie, was sent to gaol for a fortnight for stealing a mosquito curtain from a man in the street early yesterday morning.

OPIUM CASES.

Choi Man Chiu, farmer, was fined $2 for possession of prepared opium without a permit from the Opium Farmer, and Chun Alum, hawker, was bound over in personal security of $50 not to violate the Farmer's monopoly for six months.

CHARGES OF PASSING BAD MONEY.

Lau Apang and Lau Awa were charged with tendering counterfeit coins on the 22nd and 23rd inst.

Mr. H. Fournier stated that the defendants came to his store on the 22nd and 23rd instant and purchased on one occasion a bottle of mustard, and on another something else. They came at different times, and the first man received a bottle of mustard and change of 80 cents in exchange for a coin which purported to be and was taken as a Mexican dollar. He came again, and tendered a similar coin in payment of some other small article, but the coin was sent out to be changed at a money changer's. The coolie came back and reported that the coin was bad, whereupon the defendant tried to escape, but was arrested. The second defendant came in later on and tendered a similar coin in payment of a bottle of mustard, and he also was arrested.

The cases were remanded to to-day.

THE GOUGH-STREET RIOT.

Chu-Ling Tin, the fourteenth man arrested in connection with the above case, and who was discharged on the charge, was now brought up charged with having been armed and on the premises for an unlawful purpose.

Mr. Wilson (from the office of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon) defended.

P.C. 195 deposed to entering No. 2, Kau U Fong, leading out of Gough-street, and seeing three men there—one of them the prisoner—two of whom were armed with swords, and one with a revolver. He chased them up on to the roof, where they separated. The prisoner leapt across a small lane, and witness followed him, overhauling him on the other side. They had a severe struggle there, and the prisoner got free again and got down into the Yat On Club, where witness arrested him.

The witness was cross-examined at considerable length by Mr. Wilson, who proposed bringing a counter charge against him, and the case was remanded to Saturday.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

The following telegrams are from Rangoon and Indian papers:—

TEN MILLIONS FOR RAILWAYS IN INDIA.

LONDON, 7th June.

House of Commons agreed to a resolution, without division, authorising Secretary of State for India to raise ten millions for construction of railways in India.

THE HOME RULE BILL.

LONDON, 8th June.

In a Debate which took place last night in the House of Commons before the division, Mr. Parnell said that he acquiesced in the subordination of the Irish Legislative Assembly at Dublin to the Imperial Parliament at Westminster. He denied that the Irish Parliament would abuse their powers and said it would be the means of soon putting a stop to outrages. The Bill would be regarded by the Irish nation as a treaty of peace and permanent settlement of Irish Question and concluded by saying, that if the Bill was thrown out the only alternative would be coercion. Sir M. Hicks Beach said the Bill would sever the Union without satisfying the national feeling. Mr. Gladstone appealed to the House to vote for the principle of the Bill, which he affirmed would make the Union closer. A division then took place for adjournment of the House until Thursday, which was agreed to.

THE NEW HEBRIDES QUESTION.

SYDNEY, 8th June.

Two French men-of-war have left Noumea with troops and supplies. It is believed that it is intended to occupy the New Hebrides.

PARIS, 9th June.

It is semi-officially stated that the object of the French expedition which has just left Noumea for the New Hebrides is to protect French subjects owing to the frequent massacres of Europeans by the natives which have recently taken place. The French troops which have been dispatched will disembark at those points in the New Hebrides which are menaced by the natives and will probably establish a temporary station in the Island. The expedition is said to have no political object.

THE BELFAST RIOTS.

LONDON, 10th June.

During the riots between Protestants and Catholics at Belfast, which were of a fierce character, the police fired on the riotous mob, killing five and wounding many.

AFFAIRS IN BURMAH.

RANGOON, 30th May.

The Rangoon police seized 307 dahs on Friday in the house of a man named Mahomed living in Kemendine suburb.

News comes from Toungboo that the country between it and Ningyan is gradually settling down, but rebels still infest the country beyond Ningyan. Yemethon, the Head Quarters of the Brigade, is very unhealthy. Ningyan has a climate as agreeable as Toungboo, and has increased in size already, since British occupation. Daily postal communication is established, and the revenue is being collected.

RANGOON, 3rd June.

Mr. J. K. Hume, Superintendant of Police, Salwen, died from fever on Sunday last.

The *Rangoon Times* reports the death of Mr. Gates, Assistant Commissioner, Poungday, who, with an escort of three policemen, were shot down by dacoits.

The Burman Magistrate of Kanoung, with 19 Indian Police and 8 Burmans, successfully encountered a party of 150 rebels, killing several and capturing others, together with some arms and ammunition.

A Burmese Amazon, twenty years of age, is reported to be leading the party of rebels in the Toungboo district.

RANGOON, 4th June.

Mr. Gates, the Assistant Commissioner of Poungday, who was reported killed by the *Rangoon Times*, has only been wounded by the dacoits, and is progressing favourably.

The total deaths from cholera in the Assam Light Infantry is 70.

The action at Pagan with the rebels is reported with the usual result.

AFGHANISTAN.

SIMLA, 3rd June.

The box, containing the Queen's letter to the Amir, regarding the G.C.S.I., has been received at Cabul. The Amir received the contents of the letter in open durbar. An awning was subsequently erected at the Kotwali, and the letter was posted up for people to read it.

If the Boundary Commission have to remain on the frontier during the summer, they will propably fix their quarters at Shadian in the hills south of Mazar.

The removal of the Sariks from Kilawali, situated within the Afghan frontier, has been effected; 360 families are now settled at Panjdeh.

SIMLA, 4th June.

Colonel Lockhart and party have arrived safe at Wakhan, north of the Hindoo Koosh.

PAKHOI AND THE TRADE OF NORTHERN CHINA.

Mr. Consul Allen, in his report on Pakhoi for last year, says:—

After peace was concluded, a treaty was drawn up which, if it is carried out in its entirety, will gravely affect the commercial interests of Pakhoi for good or evil. The Vth Article of the said treaty declares that two trading stations on the same footing as treaty ports are to be established in Kwang-si, where French Consuls are to reside. The VIth Article says that goods brought over the frontier between the Yunnan and Kwang-si Provinces and Tonquin are to pay lower duties than goods imported into or exported from the Kwang-tung Province, or goods carried from or into any part of China by way of other treaty ports. The VIIth Article states that the French will at once construct a railway in the north of Tonquin. This scheme evidently has for its object the opening of South-west China as a field of commercial operations to be reserved for the special benefit of the French alone. Now, the intention of our own and other Governments in making Pakhoi into a treaty port was certainly that it might serve as the port of supply and shipment for this very tract of country. In fact, I have heard Pakhoi not inappropriately called "the little back door of China." The French have it now in their power, unless the Chinese Government see fit to take prompt action, to destroy all prospect of Pakhoi ever being the port for the south-west provinces. The question of duties is the all-important point. Throughout China we see trade following the route along which the taxes are lightest. Kwei-si, for instance, the capital of Kwang-si, takes goods under transit pass from Hankow rather than from Canton or Pakhoi, where transit passes are inoperative, although to reach Kwei-lin *viâ* Hankow goods have to travel 2,000 miles farther than they would have to go if they were sent through the Kwang-tung Province. If, then, the remission of duty is actual, and not so insignificant as to be merely nominal, Pakhoi, may as well be closed, as it will be unable to compete with the Tonquin ports as the port of supply and shipment for South-west China. We must, therefore, wait and see, firstly, whether France will take full advantage of her opportunities, and, secondly, whether China will not be spurred into a wholesome rivalry, and by making increased facilities of commerce, and lowering oppressive dues and taxes, keep her trade and profits to herself.

The Commission deputed to define the boundary between Tonquin and China started from Canton last autumn. No word of the result of their labours reaches us here. We are informed that they will be engaged on the work until the hot weather returns, when they will break off and begin again after the summer is over. It is said that the French only intend occupying the delta of Tonquin. They purpose opening the port, which is to be the terminus of their railway, at a place named Mong-kai, where there is a fine harbour, protected in front by the Island of Sham Min Tao. Its approximate latitude is 21 degrees 20 minutes north, and its longitude 107 degrees 55 minutes east. It is just across the frontier, some sixty miles from this. The Chinese gun-vessel *Chen To* has lately visited it. Her commander, Captain Stewart, reports that it is a good harbour, except that it has an inconveniently high rise and fall of tide. He saw no signs of the French there at the time of his visit.

The possibility of other trade-routes being opened through Burmah, Siam, and the Shan States, and tapping the south-west provinces on the west side of the Indo-Chinese Peninsula, must not be forgotten. Although the British Government has now possession of British Burmah, I think but little of the Bhamo trade route, having seen a few of its physical difficulties with my own eyes when I was there in 1875; but the Reports of Messrs. Colquhoun and Hallett represent the road from Moulmein through the Shan States as far more practicable. This, if kept open, will tend still further to throw obstacles in the way of developing trade at Pakhoi.

The eyes of the Mandarins have not as yet been opened to the need of doing something to increase trade and to secure its profits for their own subjects. The same exactions continue to prevail, and nothing is done to facilitate commercial intercourse. But so long as there is a native Custom-house as well as a foreign Custom-house, duties must not only be heavy, but, what is worse, uncertain and partial. The transit pass clauses of the Treaty of Tientsin still remain a dead letter at Pakhoi, as is shown by the amount of inland transit dues being *nil*. There are two principal dues levied in this part of China, lekin and barrier dues. The rate of lekin in this province, is 1½ per cent. *ad valorem*. A second charge at the same rate is, of course, made when the frontier of Kwang-si, the next province, is passed. Barrier dues vary at the different barriers. The first charge at the Pakhoi barrier, which we may call a native maritime custom-house, may be estimated at about 2½ per cent. *ad valorem*. That at Lienchow is about 1 per cent. on goods that have paid at Pakhoi, 2½ per cent. on goods that pay for the first time. I may mention as a proof of the universality of this tax that when the inhabitants of Pakhoi ran away to Lienchow in their fear of the French, duty was levied on all their household goods and on everything which they took with them.

Between here and Yu-lin, the chief town of the district most dependent on Pakhoi, six barriers are passed, but duties are only levied at two—one in each province. So far as I can calculate, uncertificated goods going from this to Yu-lin or Nan-ning pay about 6 per cent. over and above the import tax. By treaty they should only pay 2½ per cent. under transit pass. Now, the natural result of this would be that owners of foreign goods would take out transit passes for them and escape all duties except the half import duty allowed by treaty, but to put a stop to this another tax, called the "tao k'u," has been instituted with the avowed (and, as it has turned out, successful) intention of destroying trade under transit pass. In order to keep within the letter of the treaty, while evading its spirit, this tax is levied on the customer who has brought the certificated goods, and is purposely made heavier than lekin and barrier dues combined. The following comparative table, which I draw up from the rules attached to a proclamation issued by the Yü-lin lekin authorities and the Sub-Prefect of Yü-lin at the close of 1881, will show the tax goods ought, by treaty, to bear, and what the native purchaser has to pay, not merely in place of the Treaty rate, but in addition to it:—

Goods.	Half Import Duty, according to the Treaty of Tientsin.	Tao-k'u Tax.
	c.	Tls. c.
Grey shirtings ...	4 per piece	0 18 per piece
Woollens ...	6 per 4 yards	0 90 "
Camlets ...	25 "	0 29 "
Yarns ...	35 per bale	2 40 per bale
Iron (nail rod) ...	625 per picul	0 14 per picul
Steel ...	125 "	0 16 "
Tin ...	625 "	0 50 "
Lead ...	125 "	0 60 "

Naturally no one will touch goods covered by transit pass. We Consuls do our best to fight against this and similar instances of injustice, but the contest is a long and up-hill one. I am glad to be able to report one victory. Some long outstanding claims for over $9,000 due by the lekin authorities for illegal detention of a British merchant's certificated goods up-country have at length been compromised by the payment of $7,300. The merchants hope that the moral effect of this will be to establish the right of British merchants to the unrestricted use of transit passes, allowed by the Treaty of Tientsin and in force in other provinces. I wish that their anticipations may be realised, but, for my own part, I am not hopeful of much result until the XXVIIth Article of the Treaty of Tientsin is interpreted as freeing goods under transit pass from all further inland dues whatever, and not, as at present, only freeing them from dues up to their stated destination, after which "they are subjected to whatever charges Chinese necessity or rapacity may choose to lay on them." But no improvement may be reasonably hoped for until the fiscal system of China is radically altered. It seems to me that this system has for its end more the providing of posts for the countless officials of China than the supply of necessary funds for the carrying on of Government. It is the most wasteful and expensive method of collecting revenue in existence. This province of Kwangtung, too, is the principal sufferer, owing to the appointment of the Superintendent of Customs, or "Hoppo," at Canton. This officer is a Mantchu of the highest rank, one of three functionaries regarded as the special purveyors of the Court. His office is perhaps the most lucrative in the Empire. I have no doubt that it is the influence and power of him and his numerous subordinates which deprive the two Kwang provinces of the privileges to which they are entitled by treaty. But I see little chance of amendment or reform.

Nothing has been done during the year towards improving the natural communications between Pakhoi and the interior by making roads or railways. The only public works undertaken have been some batteries near the mouth of the harbour. They are of no great strength, and no guns have as yet been mounted in them.

To sum up. The general position of Pakhoi as a candidate for the post of shipping port for the whole south-west of China has been materially altered during 1885 by the French occupation of Tonquin and the English conquest of Upper Burmah, but nothing has been done by the Chinese authorities to improve the position or prospects of the place.

Notwithstanding this, the trade of Pakhoi in foreign goods, carried in foreign bottoms, has, as I have shown above, marvellously increased, and that without the opening of any new markets. I may mention that the trade between this and Haiphong is confined to rice, supplemented by bones for manure, and a little gambier as imports and coarse chinaware and sundries as exports.

No doubt a good deal of trade has only passed from shippers by junks entering at the Native Customs into the hands of shippers by steamers entering at the Foreign Custom-house, whereby an increase is shown in the returns of the latter, which would have to be heavily discounted if we could examine the returns of the Native Customs. I have no such records to quote from, but in the *Peking Gazette* for July last I find a Memorial from the Governor-General and the Superintendant of Customs at Canton which throws considerable light on the junk trade. The Board of Revenue at Peking, so the memorialists say, has rated the contribution of the Pakhoi Native Customs to the Imperial Exchequer at 23,000 taels, with a surplus assessment of 12,000 taels. The memorialists state that the Pakhoi Native Custom-house was established in 1870 for the taxation of foreign goods which went inland from that port. The annual revenue was at the outset comparatively large, but when Pakhoi was opened to foreign trade in 1877 steamers very soon interfered with the junk trade, which rapidly declined, with a corresponding diminution in the receipts of the Native Customs, as is demonstrated by the fact that, while the revenue was about 22,000 to 23,000 taels previous to 1878, it was only about 17,000 to 19,000 taels in 1879, 1882, and 1883. Pakhoi is an out-of-the-way place, and is only a port of call, where there are no large mercantile establishments or any great staple of trade, so that it will not bear comparison with some of the larger Treaty ports, while this year the French blockade has driven every merchant from the place, and frightened all the junks away. The memorialists therefore pray his Majesty to postpone the assessment of the native Customs and to accept the revenue, whatever it may be. The question was referred to the Board of Revenue. I do not know what decision was arrived at.

My intercourse with the Chinese authorities has been satisfactory on the whole, although I have frequently reason to regret that the local Mandarins at Pakhoi are only officials of inferior rank. When on a visit to Canton I endeavoured to call on the Governor-General, with a view of discussing the transit pass question, but he excused himself, as is his custom, on the plea of ill-health. The office of Deputy in charge of foreign affairs at Pakhoi is now held by a Mandarin of decidedly better position and standing than the gentleman

the weight of machinery at 60 lbs. per horse-power, as in Thornycroft's engines, the draught of water due to such weight will be 5·9 feet and if we take the weight of hull as equal to the weight of the machinery, the draught of water, with water in the boilers, but without coals or stores on board, will be 11 feet 3 inches. If we take the consumption of coals at 2lbs. per horse-power per hour, the total consumption per hour will be 26·8 tons; and if the speed be 43¼ knots, or 49·4 statute miles, a voyage of 3,000 statute miles will be accomplished in 69·7 hours, with 1,629·44 tons of coal. This weight of coal will depress the vessel 12·12 feet, which brings up the draught to 23·92 feet, leaving a margin of about 150 tons for extra fuel and for stores. The cost of a vessel fitted to achieve a speed of 40 knots would, Mr. Hurst reckons, be somewhere about £250,000.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY, 24th June.

EXPORT CARGO.

Per American ship *Josephus*, sailed on the 20th June:—For New York—7,766 packages cassia, 2,341 packages fire crackers, 2,779 rolls matting, 834 bales straw braids, 398 packages hides, 350 cases gallnuts, 300 cases cassia buds, 100 cases essential oil, 95 cases earthenware, 94 bales rugs, 90 packages rattan, 81 packages rattanware, 62 bales wool, 26 cases chinaware, 25 packages preserves, 25 packages canes, 12 cases fans, and 276 packages sundries.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	3/2½
Bank Bills, on demand	3/2¼
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	3/2¼
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/2⅝
Credits, at 4 months' sight	3/3⅛
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/3⅛
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	4.04
Credits, at 4 months' sight	4.12
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	78½
Credits, 60 days' sight	79½
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	220⅜
Bank, on demand	222½
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	220⅜
Bank, on demand	222½
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, at sight	71½
Private, 30 days' sight	72½

SHARES.

Quotations are:—

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—184 per cent. premium, buyers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited—$96 per share.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$79 per share, sellers.

North China Insurance—Tls. 300 per share.

Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 118 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—$175 per share, buyers.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited—$87½ per share, buyers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$415 per share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$87 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—109 per cent. prem., sales and buyers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$79 per share prem., sellers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—3 per cent. premium, sellers.

China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited—30 per cent. discount, nominal.

Douglas Steamship Company, Limited—$53 per share.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$130 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$197 per share, buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$98 per share, buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—nominal.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$79 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—$40 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$120 per share.

Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—$10 per share.

Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samaintan Mining Company, Limited—$6 per share, sales and sellers.

Selangor Tin Mining Company—$5 per share; nominal.

Perak Sugar Cultivation Company—Tls. 18 per share.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$60 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and Macao Glass Manufacturing Co., Limited.—Par, nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 A.—2 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B.—6½ per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C.—8 per cent. premium.

Chinese Imperial Government 1885 Dollar Loan—3 per cent. premium.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.)

June 24th.

Thermometer—9 A.M.	85
Thermometer—1 P.M.	87
Thermometer—4 P.M.	85
Thermometer—9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	80
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	81
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	80
Thermometer—Maximum	87
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	83

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

25TH JUNE to 1ST JULY, 1886.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
F.	25	m 3 54	8 10	m 9 17	1 6
Sat.	26	m 4 36	8 3	m 10 39	1 1
S.	27	m 5 20	7 7	m 11 54	0 7
M.	28	m 6 0	6 1	10 40 a	0 6
Tu.	29	m 6 40	5 0	11 42 a	0 9
W.	30	m 7 21	5 0	m 0 33	0 9
Th.	1	m 8 0	5 5	m 1 23	0 9

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

23rd June, 1886, at 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Manila	29.80	90	51	ESE	2	c	—
Haiphong	29.76	89	52	E	1	c	—
Hongkong	29.90	84	76	a	a	c	—
Amoy	29.91	83	83	a	a	c	—
Foochow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	30.05	—	—	—	0	—	1.05
Wladivostock	29.94	59	—	—	0	—	—

24th June, 1886, at 10 A.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Manila	29.95	86	67	ENE	1	c	—
Haiphong	29.81	86	76	a	1	c	—
Hongkong	29.91	86	74	SW	1	c	—
Amoy	29.91	83	83	SE	1	c	0.15
Foochow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	29.99	—	—	a	a	—	—
Wladivostock	29.89	64	100	E	1	b	—

The Barometer has fallen. Gradients appear to be slight for S.E. winds. The temperature is high, the humidity moderate, and the weather cloudy.

W. DOBERCK.
Hongkong Observatory, 24th June, 1886.

METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

	Previous day, at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.90	29.91	29.85
Temperature	84	85	84
Humidity	76	74	72
Direction of wind	S.	S.S.W.	S.
Force of wind	1	1	1
Weather	c.	c.	c.
Rain	—	—	—

W. DOBERCK.
Hongkong Observatory, 24th June, 1886.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

I HAVE Established myself at this Port as MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT from this date, under the Style and Firm of SIM KYE PANG & Co. (Chinese name 億發).
Swatow, 15th May, 1886. [1244

NOTICE.

WE Have authorized Mr. ERNST RICHARD FUHRMANN to SIGN our Firm per procuration.
PUSTAU & Co.
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6.00 "	8.30 "	7.30 "	8.00 "
8.30 "	9.00 "	9.00 "	10.15 "
9.40 "	*10.15 "	11.00 "	12.00 NOON.
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1.30 "	2.00 "	3.30 "	3.00 "
2.30 "	3.00 "	3.30 "	4.00 "
3.30 "	4.00 "	4.15 "	4.30 "
4.15 "	4.30 "	4.50 "	5.10 "
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Hongkong, 21st June, 1886.

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EXTRACT.

THE COMING DELUGE OF PETROLEUM.

The present year promises to be more memorable in the annals of petroleum than any since Colonel Drake inaugurated the system of boring for oil in 1859. In Egypt a copious supply of petroleum has been discovered, exactly where it was wanted; by the annexation of King Theebaw's dominions, England has brought under European control the vast oil deposits of Burmah; several steamers have successfully demonstrated that oil can be carried in bulk on the open waters of the world as well as on the land-locked Caspian, and the Russian Government has taken in hand the pipe-line, 560 miles long, destined at no distant period to enable the lamp oil at Baku to flow into the capacious cistern holds of vessels lying at anchor in the snug little harbour of Batoum. Enough has been written of late years about petroleum to disabuse the public mind of the oil impression that paraffin and petroleum are one and the same thing. Paraffin is a product obtained from an oily coal, called shale, and is chiefly manufactured in Scotland; petroleum, or "rock oil," exists already in a fluid form in the bowels of the earth, and on the surface of the earth being pricked flows or sprouts like water from an Artesian well. The time is within measurable distance when hundreds of floating cisterns, or tank-steamers, laden with oil in bluk, will convey the illuminating fluid from Batoum and New York to every port of the world. These steamers will be fitted with furnaces for burning oil fuel, and one of the problems hitherto under discussion has been respecting the means that should be adopted for establishing fuel these steamers, and cargo steamers generally using hydro-carbon furnaces, oil depôts all over the world similar to the existing coaling stations. An excellent fuel petroleum has been discovered exactly where it was wanted, in close proximity to the Suez Canal, while as soon as Upper Burmah is organised, a vast supply can be sent in tank-steamers to Ceylon and Singapore. The recent opening up of the petroleum fields in Japan by the Japanese themselves guarantees a supply further east in the China Seas, and in this manner no obstacle any longer exists to the general use of petroleum furnaces in those parts of the world where coal is limited, and its use on board steamers and on locomotives is attended with suffering and discomfort. Many years ago a crude and ill-sustained effort was made to bring oil in cisterns in sailing-vessels from America to England, in order to dispense with the expensive and cumbrous system of conveyance in barrels, and when this attempt failed the matter completely dropped. More recently, in 1880, Mr. Ludwig Nobel, skilled engineer of a family of inventors, successfully constructed a tank-steamer, and there are now eighty of these on the Caspian and over one hundred on the Volga. Considerable ingenuity was needed to solve the problem of conveying tens of thousands of gallons of lamp oil in floating cisterns, and each vessel was an improvement on its predecessor; yet instead of starting from the latest Caspian type, English shipowners have been content to fit up sailing vessels in an amateur fashion, and shipbuilders have planned steamers without attempting to profit by the experience that has sprung from the hundreds of voyages in the Caspian Sea during the last few years. However, in spite of this, vessels with oil in bulk have successfully voyaged from America to London and Bremen, and from Batoum to Antwerp, and events have justified the opinion I expressed on my return from Baku in 1883, that if steamers laden with 100,000 gallons of lamp oil in tanks could weather the Caspian with its treacherous storms, and moreover convey such cargoes with immunity from explosion, similar vessels could be safely employed in the Atlantic and in Eastern seas. The *Sviet*, the first of a proposed fleet of twelve tank-steamers, built by the Black Sea Steam Navigation Company, has already run several voyages, with 150,000 gallons of lamp oil in bulk each trip, from Batoum to Odessa, and a Newcastle steamer, constructed for a German Company, has conveyed a cargo round Europe to Antwerp. To accommodate the vast quantities of petroleum which the opening up of new supplies and adoption of the bulk system are bringing into market, in London as well as in several Continental centres huge reservoirs are being erected, while the extension of the system to streets by the use of the Edward Phillips' tank-waggon promises to expel the cumbrous and expensive barrel from the transport trade in Europe as completely as it has done in Russia. Before long tank-steamers will bring lamp oil by the hundred thousand gallons in bulk from the American refineries to London. On its arrival it will be pumped into reservoirs, from those reservoirs it will be pumped or flow into railway tank-cars or street tank-waggons, and the latter will convey it to the tanks of the retail shopkeeper. If 4,000 tank-cars are too few for the conveyance of oil on the railways of Russia, how many thousands will be needed for the entire Continent, to say nothing of the vast market afforded by the two hundred and fifty millions of people of India just commencing to burn petroleum oil. The construction of these tank-cars and steamers, the manufacture of pipes for pipe-lines, iron reservoirs for storage purposes, oil-burning furnaces, street tank-waggons, and lamps, all furnish wide scope for British enterprise and capital; and it is to be hoped that the opportunities now presenting themselves will not be allowed to pass into foreign hands. By the annexation of Upper Burmah we have rendered ourselves a petroleum power, and both in developing the Burmese oilfields, to supply with light and fuel the vast neighbouring markets of India and China, and in becoming the bulk-carriers and the manufacturers of petroleum appliances in Europe, we have the means of making up for some of the losses we are experiencing through the decadence of older industries.—*Time*.

A RUSSIAN EXPERIMENT IN HOME RULE.

In the *Observer* there is an interesting reference to a Russian experiment in Home Rule, to which the writer satirically directs Mr. Gladstone's attention. The Grand Duchy of Finland enjoys autonomy—so much autonomy that she is virtually an independent State. But how has she obtained it? asks our contemporary. Why, simply by taking the concessions made to her by the Czar Alexander I., and using them like wedges to widen the crevices in her union with Russia. If, says the *Observer*, a strong autocratic Government like that of Russia could not prevent the germ of self-government in Finland developing into independence, how can a weak Government like that of England prevent Mr. Gladstone's "domestic Legislature" from growing into a separate Parliament? The condition of Finland is certainly a very curious one. It is true that she enjoys a great deal of Home Rule; but we should not describe her as virtually an independent State. Large as are her autonomic privileges, the Czar has kept in his hands a far greater amount of control than Mr. Gladstone would permit us to have over Ireland; and yet in some respects Mr. Gladstone's Ireland would not be so free as Finland. The Finns are a cleanly, thrifty, industrious, and singularly honest race of people. They have what Mr. Gladstone calls "a spirit of nationality so masculine" that they have not, like the Irish, lost their language or yielded easily on the field of battle to a foreign invader. Though they were reduced to straits that rendered resistance hopeless, yet they fought with such ferocity in 1721, in 1780-90, and last of all in 1809, against the Russians, that they extorted from the Czar the right of imposing conditions even on their conqueror. Alexander I. was, in fact, fain to grant Finland some constitutional liberty; and it was therefore not her conquest but her "union" with Russia which he found it convenient to proclaim. Following the advice of the astute Speransky, he accepted the principle that "Finland was a State, not a Russian province to be administered in common with other provinces." She was accordingly exempted from the twenty-five years conscription. She was permitted to manage her own army and finances, to have her own system of representative government, and to give her citizens an absolute monopoly of all official compositions in her administration. The Constitution of Borgo, framed under the good influence of Speransky and when Alexander I. was full of progressist tendencies, gave Finland a great deal of independence. But it did not lessen the hatred of the Finnish peasants for Russian rule, any more than Mr. Gladstone's concessions to Ireland would lessen the hatred of the Irishry to England. The Diet which framed the Constitution in 1809 was not called together for fifty-three years, and the "Finnish Committee" at St. Petersburg governed the country in accordance with the autocratic ideas of Nicholas I. Yet that did not break the spirit of Finnish nationality. Slowly and meticulously the Finns regained their liberties. Since 1863 their Diet has been pretty regularly summoned every five years, and it has rarely met without widening the scope of Finnish autonomy. By steadily working for an enlargement of their privileges, and by cunningly avoiding open conflict with the Czar, the Finns have attained the position which now leads some of their admirers to describe Finland as "virtually an independent State." As a matter of fact, Finland is governed by a Diet which consists of four Chambers; nobles, clergy, burghers, and peasants; the latter elected in "two orders." It is summoned every five years by the Czar, to meet for a short session extending over four or five months. Each Chamber debates separately, but can only discuss the programme of legislation submitted by the Czar, and even then subject to the Imperial veto. The Imperial right of issuing decrees is not clearly defined; but the theory is that no law can be imposed without the unanimous consent of the Chambers. When, however, unanimity appears impossible, a committee of sixty, fairly representative of each Chamber, meets and arranges a compromise. If that fail, then the Finnish Committee at St. Petersburg, consisting of the Secretary of State for Finland and four members, two nominated by the Crown and two by the Senate of Finland, settle the matter. The Senate of Finland is nominated by the Czar, but its members are natives. It meets under the presidency of the Governor-General, who is also commander-in-chief of the Army, and who may be a Russian, in which case he is the only Russian who holds any office whatever in the country. The Senate is the supreme administrative authority, as the Diet or Seim is the supreme legislative authority. Everything is under senatorial control—except education, the Church, Customs, and the Army; which, with foreign affairs, are under the Imperial Government. The army of Finland consists of 70,000; and all the officers must be Finns, though the commander-in-chief, being Governor-General, may be a Russian. Finland coins its own money, manages its own debt, and is free of all entanglement with Russian finance; so much so that, whereas Russia cannot borrow money for less than 6 per cent., Finland can always borrow for 4½ per cent. in the open market, and the paper money of Finland circulates at par, whereas the Russian paper rouble is worth only six-tenths of its reputed value. Russia has meddled very little of late with the grand duchy; and yet the national movement has been stimulated rather than arrested by concessions of autonomy. Finland now seeks for absolute independence, and is using, as Ireland would, her autonomy as a stepping-stone to it. The Swedes were once the dominant race in Finland. As their language was till very recently the only official language, they monopolised all the offices; but they form only about one-seventh of the population. They find now, under extending autonomy, that they must either join the Finns hate the aristocratic Swedish caste just as the Irishry hate the loyal gentry in Ireland. Equality for the Finnish and Swedish languages being won, the next step is to be a democratic reform of the Constitution, with a view to the expulsion of every Swede from the public service. Thus the Swedes of the rising generation are abandoning their nationality and joining the Fennomanes; and the Finns welcome the adhesion of renegade Swedes just as Mr. Parnell welcomes the adherence of an Irish gentleman to his faction. The Fennomanes do not (says Prince Kropotkin), like the Poles, vainly dream of reviving the past. They aspire to create a new autonomous Finland by converting the Fennomanic movement, which is in the main a literary one at present, into a political, which is to be combined with an agrarian, movement. Educating after Finnish ideas, the monopoly of the Administration, the land freed from the Swedish caste—these are the objects which the Fennomanic party have in view. They are advancing from autonomy to independence so rapidly that the Muscovite Chauvinists are warning the Czar he will one day wake to find a hostile nation at the very doors of his capital. *St. James's Gazette.*

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